## Committee on the Homeless

October 16, 2013



#### Welcome & Introductions

#### The Committee:

- Jonathan Kroner, Vice-Chair
- Prakash Kumar
- Cary Yee Quee
- Daniel Sherbill
- Annsheila Turkel
- Rachael Zuckerman

#### Guests:

- Ken Stenicky
- Officer Ysidro Llamoca
- Staff:
  - Felipe Reguiera, Program Coordinator
  - Alexandra Gorfinkel, Staff
  - Maria Ruiz, Director

Action: Meeting called to order without quorum at 5:04pm. Those above were in attendance.

# **Approval of Meeting Summary**

Review of prior meeting summary

Action(s): Motion made by Prakash Kumar and Seconded by Cary Yee Quee. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Old Business**

- Education Campaign Motion
  - Letter to Commission was transmitted to Commission on September 19<sup>th</sup>

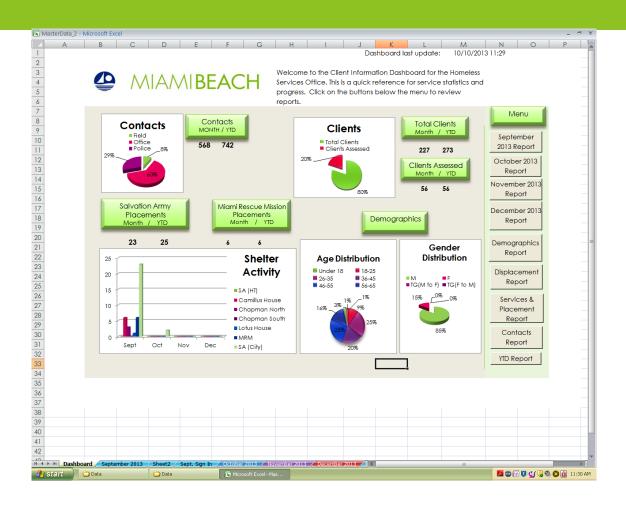
Action(s): There has been no response from the Commission to date. Members are asked to contact their respective Commissioners to gain support.

### **Old Business**

- Director's Report
  - Homeless Data Dashboard
  - Client Service Path

Action(s): Report provided.

## **Homeless Data Dashboard**



Action(s): A walk-thru of the new database and data sets was provided.

## **New Business**

 Request to amend the membership of the Committee to include representation from the Police and Fire Departments

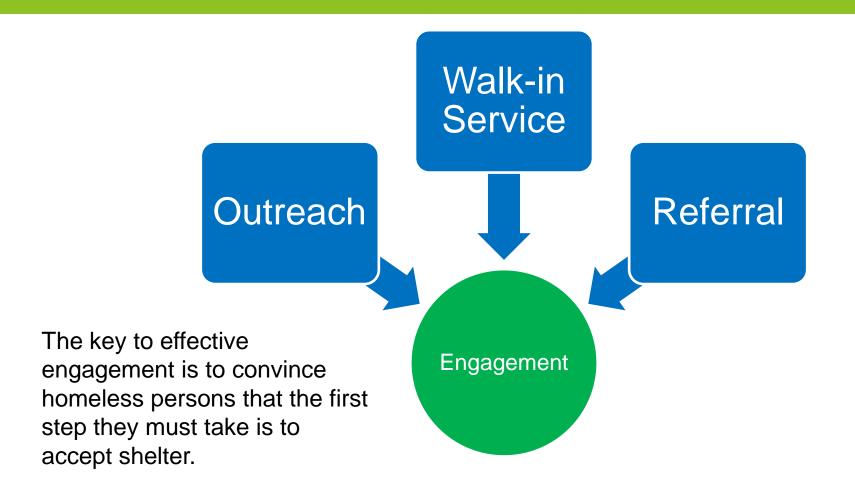
Action(s): Motion made by Prakash Kumar and Seconded by Annsheila Turkel to recommend that the City Commission amend the ordinance delineating the Committee's composition to add ex officio representation from the City's Police and Fire Departments. Motion passed unanimously.

### **New Business**

- Client Service Path
  - Getting the client from the streets to a sustainable, permanent home

Action(s): An overview of the Client Service Path was presented.

# Client Service Path - Engagement

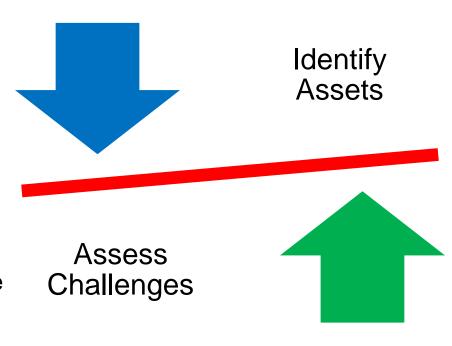


#### Client Service Path - Intake

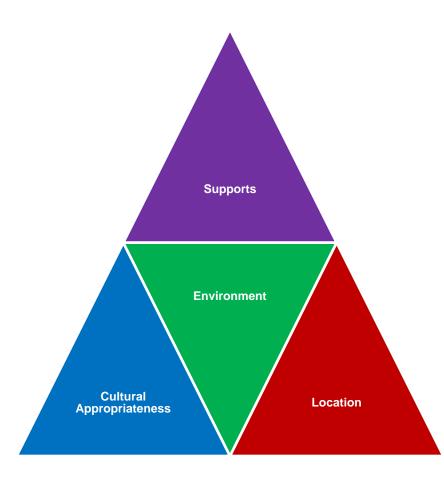
The Intake process focuses attention on each client's assets to form the basis of an action plan that identifies a map to guide the client to personal success.

The process recognizes past failures and missteps while respecting cultural competence and establishing realistic goals and timeframes.

The individual drives the process and ultimately reaps the rewards relational to efforts.



#### Client Service Path - Placement



Not all shelters are the same.

We are looking for more than a bed and meals.

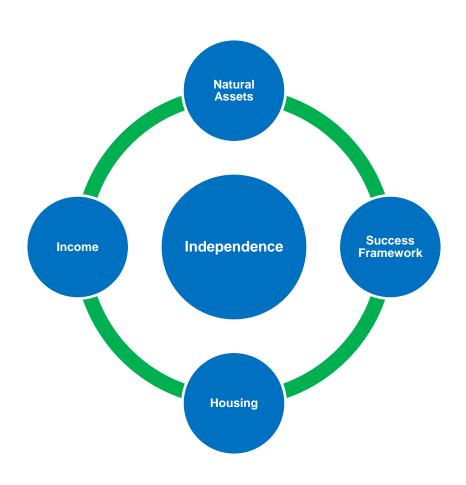
We consider the client's individual needs and personal factors to choose the right shelter that will provide support of the client's individual care plan.

The goal is to find the right interim living environment that will foster and promote the skills and assets that will lead to permanent, personal housing.

#### Client Service Path - Coordination

Care Coordination keeps the client focused on his individualized care plan by focusing on the achievement of interim steps that lead to the ultimate goal of independent living, safe housing and personal success.

Just as you cannot pay rent without a source of income, you cannot manage your income without a bank account, budget and an understanding of your credit's impact on your living expenses and opportunities.



#### **Client Service Path - Transition**

The client may transition from shelter to:

- Transitional Housing
- Supportive Housing
- Subsidized Housing
- Market-Rate Housing



A client's housing transition must be:

- Affordable
- Appropriate
- Sustainable

### **New Business**

- Engaging the Faith Community
  - Train volunteers for outreach
  - Encourage shelter supports
  - Support permanent transitions

Action(s): Motion made by Prakash Kumar and Seconded by Dan Sherbill to form a sub-committee comprised of faith community members who meet to offer recommendations to the Committee for further consideration and action. Motion passed unanimously.

# **Good & Welfare**

Action(s): No items reported.

# Adjournment

Our next meeting: Wednesday, November 20th at 4pm At the 555 - 17th Street Conference Room (Homeless Office)

Action(s): Meeting adjourned at 4:57pm.